

fees collected for cotton warehouse inspections shall not exceed \$400,000 in the fiscal year ending September 30, 1982, \$415,000 in fiscal year ending September 30, 1983, and \$430,000 in the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984. All fees collected shall be credited to the current appropriation account that incurs the costs and shall be available without fiscal year limitation to pay the expenses of the Secretary incident to providing services under this chapter. The Secretary may deposit such funds in an interest bearing account with a financial institution. If any interest is earned on this account such interest shall be credited to the account for use by the Secretary in providing such services.

(Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. C, §10, 39 Stat. 487; Mar. 2, 1931, ch. 366, §5, 46 Stat. 1464; Aug. 13, 1981, Pub. L. 97-35, title I, §158(a)(1), 95 Stat. 375.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1981—Pub. L. 97-35 substituted provisions requiring the Secretary or the Secretary's designated representative to charge, assess, and cause to be collected fees for warehouse examination, inspection, and licensing, for provisions authorizing the Secretary or his designated representative to charge, assess, and cause to be collected fees for warehouse inspection and licensing.

1931—Act Mar. 2, 1931, inserted “, or his designated representative,” after “Secretary of Agriculture”, substituted “may” for “shall” where appearing for first time and substituted provision authorizing a reasonable fee to be charged for license issued to warehouseman or other person to classify etc., agricultural products for former provision requiring a fee of \$2 per annum for each license or renewal thereof issued to a warehouseman, all in first sentence.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Section 158(b) of Pub. L. 97-35 provided that: “The provisions of this section [amending this section and section 271 of this title] shall become effective October 1, 1981.”

#### SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 271 of this title.

### § 252. License to classify, grade, or weigh agricultural products

The Secretary of Agriculture, or his designated representative, may upon presentation of satisfactory proof of competency, issue to any person a license to inspect, sample, or classify any agricultural product or products, stored or to be stored in a warehouse licensed under this chapter, according to condition, grade, or otherwise and to certificate the condition, grade, or other class thereof, or to weigh the same and certificate the weight thereof, or both to inspect, sample, or classify and weigh the same and to certificate the condition, grade, or other class and the weight thereof, upon condition that such person agree to comply with and abide by the terms of this chapter and of the rules and regulations prescribed hereunder so far as the same relate to him.

(Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. C, §11, 39 Stat. 487; Feb. 23, 1923, ch. 106, 42 Stat. 1283; Mar. 2, 1931, ch. 366, §6, 46 Stat. 1464.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1931—Act Mar. 2, 1931, inserted “, or his designated representative,” after “Secretary of Agriculture”.

1923—Act Feb. 23, 1923, inserted “inspect, sample or” before “classify” and “condition” before “grade” wherever appearing.

### § 253. Suspension and revocation of license to classify, grade, or weigh

Any license issued to any person to inspect, sample, or classify, or to weigh any agricultural product or products under this chapter may be suspended or revoked by the Secretary of Agriculture, or his designated representative, whenever he is satisfied, after opportunity afforded to the licensee concerned for a hearing, that such licensee has failed to inspect, sample, or classify, or to weigh any agricultural product or products correctly, or has violated any of the provisions of this chapter or of the rules and regulations prescribed hereunder, so far as the same may relate to him, or that he has used his license or allowed it to be used for any improper purpose whatever. Pending investigation, the Secretary of Agriculture, or his designated representative, whenever he deems necessary, may suspend a license temporarily without hearing.

(Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. C, §12, 39 Stat. 487; Feb. 23, 1923, ch. 106, 42 Stat. 1283; Mar. 2, 1931, ch. 366, §7, 46 Stat. 1464.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1931—Act Mar. 2, 1931, inserted “, or his designated representative,” after “Secretary of Agriculture” wherever appearing.

1923—Act Feb. 23, 1923, inserted “inspect, sample or” before “classify” wherever appearing.

### § 254. Discrimination by warehouseman prohibited

Every warehouseman conducting a warehouse licensed under this chapter shall receive for storage therein, so far as its capacity permits, any agricultural product of the kind customarily stored therein by him which may be tendered to him in a suitable condition for warehousing, in the usual manner in the ordinary and usual course of business, without making any discrimination between persons desiring to avail themselves of warehouse facilities.

(Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. C, §13, 39 Stat. 488.)

### § 255. Deposits of products deemed subject to chapter

Any person who deposits agricultural products for storage in a warehouse licensed under this chapter shall be deemed to have deposited the same subject to the terms of this chapter and the rules and regulations prescribed thereunder.

(Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. C, §14, 39 Stat. 488.)

### § 256. Inspection and grading of products stored

Any fungible agricultural product stored for interstate or foreign commerce, or in any place under the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States, in a warehouse licensed under this chapter, shall be inspected and graded by a person duly licensed to grade the same under this chapter.

(Aug. 11, 1916, ch. 313, pt. C, §15, 39 Stat. 488; Feb. 23, 1923, ch. 106, 42 Stat. 1283.)